

SCA/6584/2010 2/2 ORDER
IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD
SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION No. 6584 of 2010

BENJAMIN SATYAPPA SHANKESHWAR - Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF GUJARAT & 1 - Respondent(s)

===== Appearance :

MR SP MAJMUDAR for Petitioner(s) : 1, MR PP MAJMUDAR for Petitioner(s) : 1,

Mr. NIRAG PATHAK, ASST GOVERNMENT PLEADER for Respondent(s) : 1, NOTICE
SERVED BY DS for Respondent(s) : 1 - 2.

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HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAVI R. TRIPATHI

Date : 01/09/2010

ORAL ORDER

It is really painful that in every small matter, a Government employee is required to knock the doors of the High Court. This is again one such case, wherein the Government is sitting tight over letter dated 1st March/ April 2008. It is good that now there is a tool in the hands of public at large to call for such information under the Right To Information Act. The petitioner received a copy of this letter in response to the application under the Right To Information Act on 8th March 2010. It is surprising that since 1st April 2008, the authorities have not proceeded any further in the direction of granting the request made in this letter.

If there is no valid reason for non grant of this request, the authorities must pass appropriate orders by 27.09.2010, failing which the Secretary, Forest & Environment Department shall remain personally present before this Court on the next date of hearing to explain as to why order dated 1st April 2008 is not acted upon. Adjourned to 27th September 2010.

(RAVI R. TRIPATHI, J.)